

Remarks

This response is in reply to the Office communication mailed June 27, 2008. Unless otherwise indicated, page and paragraph references are to that Office communication.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 7, which has been indicated as being allowable if written in independent form. Claims 4 and 6-9 have been cancelled.

As with the previous amendments, this amendment has been made to advance the prosecution of this case and implies no admission regarding the patentability of the amended or cancelled claims as previously presented. The present amendment is without prejudice to applicant's right to present these or other claims in one or more continuing applications.

Since claim 1 now includes the limitations of former claim 7, and since the remaining claims are all dependent on claim 1 as amended, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Entry of this amendment and reconsideration of the application as so amended are respectfully requested. It is hoped that upon such consideration, the Examiner will hold all claims allowable and pass the case to issue at an early date. Such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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